

# Handley Brown

Georgia Washington County

In the name of God Amen

I Handley Brown of said State and County, being in a low State of Health and knowing that I must shortly depart from this world deem it right and proper both as respects myself and my family that I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me I therefore make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all others heretofore made by me

Item First - I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, suitable to my circumstances and conditions, my Soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it, as I hope for eternal salvation through the blessed Lord and Jesus Christ

Item Second - I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my Executor hereafter named as I am unwilling my Creditors should be delayed of their rights especially as there is no necessity for delay.

Item third, I give and devise to my oldest son James C Brown a negro boy by the name of Wesley -

Item fourth - I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Ann Elizabeth Lany Brown a negro girl by the name of Jane about three years old, also one Bed bedstead and furniture, one Cow and Calf and one Horse to be given off to her whenever she may marry or become twenty one year of age, I also give to my son James C Brown with the boy Wesley, one Horse one bed bedstead and furniture and one Cow and Calf

Item Fifth, My desire is that the remainder of my property both real and personal remain together with my little Children to raise support and school them, that is Joseph Hixediah Brown, Thomas Handley Brown William Alexander Brown and George Washington Brown,

My desire is whenever the above named Joseph, Thomas, William and George become twenty one year of age for them to have and equal share with what I have given to my son James C Brown and Mary Ann Elizabeth Lany Brown share and share alike, whenever one arrives at twenty one year of age, and should there be any property left, after my youngest son George Washington is raised and settled and his equal share with the rest, my desire is that it be equally divided among all my Children, share and share alike

Item Sixth My desire is that my oldest son James C Brown take charge of my Plantation and negro, and my children and do the best for them that he is able, and he pay himself a reasonable price for his services,

Item Seventh - I constitute and appoint my oldest son James C Brown Executor to this my last Will and Testament this April 4<sup>th</sup> 1858

Signed sealed declared and published by Handley Brown as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribe our names here in the presence of said testator and of each other this April 4<sup>th</sup> 1858

Witness  
James C Brown  
Mary Ann Elizabeth Lany  
Joseph Hixediah Brown  
Thomas Handley Brown  
William Alexander Brown  
George Washington Brown